

Torrance, California.  
January 2, 1929.

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, January 2, 1929, and was called to order by Mayor Dennis at 7:45 P. M.

The following Trustees were present: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.  
Absent; Inman and Raymond.

The minutes of the adjourned, regular meeting of December 11, 1928 were read and approved as read.

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 18, 1928 were read and approved as read.

The Mayor called for bids for furnishing gasoline to the City of Torrance for twelve months, beginning on February 1, 1929 and ending on January 31, 1930. The Clerk opened and read the following bids:

Richfield Oil Company of California-- 4¢ per gallon less than established retail service station price, as maintained by the Richfield Oil Co. of Cal. in Torrance on date of delivery, inclusive of State tax.

Pan American Petroleum Corp.-- 4¢ per gallon under the posted service station price, but in no case to exceed 16¢ per gallon, including State tax.

United States Refining Co.-- 4¢ per gallon below posted cash retail price of Standard, Union, Shell, Richfield, Associated, Texaco and Pan-American Oil Companies in Los Angeles; maximum price not to exceed 16¢ per gallon F.O.B. storage tanks at Torrance.

Trustee Maxwell moved that the City Council accept the bid of the United States Refining Company. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

The Mayor called for bids for the Export Refining Corporation franchise.

The Clerk read the bid from the Export Refining Corporation, said bid being accompanied by a check for \$50.00.

Attorney Briney asked for any further bids, and there being none, Trustee Maxwell moved that an ordinance be prepared granting the franchise to the Export Refining Company, which motion was seconded by Trustee Wolfe, and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

The Clerk presented a bid from the General Pipe Line Company for pipe line franchise over Cedar Avenue, Arlington Avenue, 208th Street and Western Avenue, said bid being accompanied by check for \$100.00.

Attorney Briney asked for any further bids, and there being none, Trustee Maxwell moved that an ordinance be prepared granting franchise to the General Pipe Line Co., in accordance with their bid. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

The Clerk read a communication signed by P. Isenstein, President of Pueblo Land Company, and by Donald Findley, Vice-President of the Dominguez Land Company, requesting that the paving of Arlington Avenue from 208th Street north be only 30 feet in width.

Engineer Leonard stated that, although the Council had previously specified a 40 foot width for this street, he believed 30 feet would be sufficient at the present time.

Engineer Leonard was instructed to change the plans from 40 feet to 30 feet.

A communication from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, dated January 2, 1929, presented a resolution adopted by the Business Men's Association of Torrance, requesting that the Council deny a permit to parties desiring to operate an open air auto market on a location bounded by Redondo Blvd., Post Avenue and Sartori Avenue.

A deed to a portion of Railroad Ave., from Robert E. McCaffrey and Martha B. McCaffrey to the City of Torrance, was presented.

Engineer Leonard suggested that the deed be accepted.

It was moved by Trustee Wolfe that the deed be accepted. Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.  
 NOES: " None.  
 ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

Engineer Leonard presented a map of Tract No. 10536, which is a portion of the Palos Verdes Estates, but is within three miles of the boundary of Torrance, and recommended that it be approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 394  
 APPROVING MAP OF TRACT NO. 10536.

Trustee Maxwell moved that Resolution No. 394 be adopted. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.  
 NOES: " None.  
 ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

Mrs. Maberley presented two propositions for the consideration of the Council. First, she desired that an ordinance be passed that all dogs should be muzzled and penned up, in order to insure the safety of goats, rabbits and poultry. Second, she requested that the ordinance regarding the keeping of goats be changed, enabling one to maintain these animals within 25 feet of a residence, instead of 100 feet.

Mr. John Getz requested that he be allowed to lease the City dump, for the purpose of salvage.

The gentleman who desired to establish an open air used car market next to the Telephone Company office stated that the cars would be in good condition, the lot would be kept clean, and no repairs would be made on the lot.

Mr. Steiner, representing the Torrance Business Men's Assn., stated that the lot under consideration was in Zone 3, which does not permit garages, etc., and that there were six or seven dealers in Torrance handling new and used cars, who were paying a license in Zone 5. He declared that this organization had passed the resolution against the proposed car market because they did not believe such a business should be operated in Zone 3.

The City Clerk presented:

RESOLUTION NO. 392.  
 ADOPTING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE  
 IMPROVEMENT OF DOMINGUEZ STREET, ARLINGTON AVENUE  
 AND CEDAR AVENUE.

City Engineer Leonard presented the plans and asked the

approval of the Council.

Trustee Maxwell moved that Resolution No. 392 be adopted. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.  
 NOES: " None.  
 ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond

City Clerk Bartlett read:

RESOLUTION NO. 393.  
 APPROVING H. H. HELBUSH & COMPANY CEMENT PLANT

Mayor Dennis explained that this proposed plant would be on Palos Verdes and Weston property, and that it was in an unzoned district.

Trustee Maxwell moved that Resolution No. 393 be adopted. This motion was seconded by Trustee Wolfe and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.  
 NOES: " None.  
 ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell, seconded by Trustee Wolfe, and carried, that a permit for a used car market on Sartori be denied.

City Engineer Leonard requested that the Council take action in regard to the fire escape ordinance. It was decided that Mayor Dennis would set a day for the Council to investigate the present situation.

Trustee Maxwell introduced:

ORDINANCE NO. 179.  
 GRANTING FRANCHISE TO GENERAL PIPE  
 LINE CORPORATION

Also:

ORDINANCE NO. 180.  
 GRANTING EXPORT REFINING CO. FRANCHISE

It was moved by Trustee Maxwell that all bills properly audited be paid. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Maxwell, Wolfe and Dennis.  
 NOES: " None.  
 ABSENT: " Inman and Raymond.

Attorney Briney reported that the City has never obtained permission from the Railroad Commission to establish crossing over Santa Fe tracks at Cedar Street. It was moved by Trustee Wolfe that the City Attorney be authorized to apply to the Railroad Commission for authority to establish crossing over Santa Fe tracks at Cedar Avenue, if same has never been granted. Trustee Maxwell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

At 9:25 P.M. Trustee Wolfe moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Maxwell and duly carried.

*G. H. Bartlett*

City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

*John Dennis*  
 Mayor of the City of Torrance.